



**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**  
**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**  
**[Project No. 8632-021]**

**City of Kankakee, Illinois; Notice of Intent to File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process**

- a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process
- b. Project No.: 8632-021
- c. Date Filed: January 27, 2023
- d. Submitted By: City of Kankakee, Illinois (City of Kankakee)
- e. Name of Project: Kankakee Hydroelectric Project (project)
- f. Location: The existing project is located on the Kankakee River in Kankakee County, Illinois. No federal lands are occupied by the project works or located within the project boundary.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations
- h. Potential Applicant Contact: Zachary Newton, Manager of Sewer Services, City of Kankakee, Illinois, 295 North Harrison Avenue Kankakee, IL 60901; phone: (815) 933-0454; email: [zjnewton@citykankakee-il.gov](mailto:zjnewton@citykankakee-il.gov).
- i. FERC Contact: Laura Washington at (202) 502-6072; or email at [Laura.Washington@ferc.gov](mailto:Laura.Washington@ferc.gov).
- j. The City of Kankakee filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on January 27, 2023. The City of Kankakee provided public notice of its request on February 1, 2023. In a letter dated March 7, 2023, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved the request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR part 402; and NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

- l. With this notice, we are designating the City of Kankakee as the Commission's non-federal representatives for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- m. The City of Kankakee filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD), including a proposed process plan and schedule for the project with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD may be viewed on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.gov>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).
- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a subsequent license for Project No. 8632. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.20, each application for a subsequent license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by April 30, 2026.
- p. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: March 7, 2023.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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